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REQUEST FOR EXAMINER INTERVIEW ACCOMPANYING SECOND RCE

This is in response to the Advisory Action (paper no. 111805) mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 23, 2005, with respect to the above-identified patent application.

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REQUEST FOR EXAMINER INTERVIEW

This request is submitted in lieu of form PTOL-413A titled "Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form."

The undersigned attorney, Morgan S. Heller II, respectfully requests a telephonic Interview with the Examiner pursuant to MPEP § 713 et seq. Mr. Heller respectfully requests that the Interview be conducted before the Examiner issues another Office Action and at the Examiner's convenience. Mr. Heller requests that Examiner call him at the number appearing below near his signature to schedule the Interview.

Presently, it is anticipated that only Mr. Heller will attend the Interview on Applicants' side. However, Applicants would like to leave the opportunity open for one or more of the following people to also be in attendance by phone: one of the inventors, John Cronin; the application owner's in-house patent counsel, Ryan Simmons (Reg. No. 45,848); and another patent attorney from the law firm appearing below, Lawrence H. Meier (Reg. No. 31,446).

It is desired that the Examiner conduct the Interview with the file open, so it will be appreciated if the Examiner would let Mr. Heller know beforehand if any powers of attorney are required for any of the above-mentioned parties to participate. In addition, Mr. Heller does not know whether the Examiner has negotiation authority. If not, it is requested that an examiner having negotiation authority be present during the Interview.

A primary reason for the Interview is to attempt to reach mutual agreement on a number of issues as between Applicants and their attorneys on the one hand and the Examiner on the other hand in order to advance prosecution of the claims. As the Examiner is aware, a number of Office Actions have been spent arguing from positions that do not appear to be mutually founded. Indeed, Applicants and the Examiner appear to have fundamentally different views of the claims and the applied references.

More particularly, Mr. Heller would like to discuss all aspects of the rejections of at least independent claims 50 and 98, including the teachings of the references applied by the Examiner, the construction of the claims leading to the rejections and how the various teachings anticipate or render obvious these claims.

Mr. Heller looks forward to speaking with the Examiner and hopefully resolving the present impass.

Respectfully submitted,

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